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MANSFIELD CONFERENCE MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

■ **YAMAGUCHI TO TOUR TIMBER-TECH HOUSE** -- Akira Yamaguchi, an international leader in conservation-minded construction techniques and an honored guest at this year's Mansfield Conference, will tour the Center for Resourceful Building Technology's Timber-Tech House and meet with organizations from Missoula, Superior and Sitka, Alaska, during his Missoula visit. Yamaguchi, founder and president of the Kinoshiro Taisetsu family of companies on Hokkaido, Japan, will tour the Timber-Tech House, 1329 Van Buren, at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14. The compact urban in-fill home highlights advances in the use of wood fiber by the building industry. Yamaguchi's natural housing systems company, KST-Hokkaido, is known for building high-quality homes with an eye toward preservation of the natural environment. While in Missoula, Yamaguchi and other KST representatives will meet with city officials from Missoula and Superior, forestry school researchers and representatives of the Island Institute of Sitka, Alaska. For more information or to arrange an interview with Yamaguchi call Research News Editor Rita Munzenrider, 243-4824.

■ **EXOTIC ENTERTAINMENT** -- Gamelan Sekar Jaya, whose concert of Balinese song and dance will kick off the Mansfield Conference Sunday, Oct. 15, will give the public and the media plenty of opportunities to view and participate in their colorful entertainment. On Friday, Oct. 13, the San-Francisco-based group will present a free lecture and demonstration from noon to 1 p.m. in the University Theatre. And the group will give community members a chance to get in on the act, holding two workshops to teach interested citizens Kecak, a Balinese form of polyphonic choral music that accompanies dance. Workshop participants will join Gamelan Sekar Jaya on stage Sunday night for its 7 p.m. concert in the University Theatre. Kecak workshops are scheduled from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, and from 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 14, in a basement dance studio, Room 035, of the Performing Arts and Radio/Television Center. For more information call Dorothy Morrison, 243-4429.

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